

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President, I move for the advancement of L.B. 132. 132 is the vehicle, the money necessary for the operation of this committee. As I indicated, the fiscal impact that you have in your book talks about \$200,000.00 but with the amendments we have adopted here this morning, it will be about \$63,000.00 annually. It will be used by the committee for the printing, the distribution of the manuals necessary for a fair equalization between the counties. If you will recall, in 1963 we passed on this floor the mandatory reappraisal bill that all counties had to go through an appraisal to have better equalization. Over the years this program has deteriorated. This is the purpose for the advisory committee to pick up and to use a different approach. Many other states, in order to have a sound program of equalization, have reverted to manuals. These manuals will be in the neighborhood of somewhere between \$50 and \$100,000.00 but then each county will have the same ground rules, the same basis for determining valuation. So this will provide the fund for the manuals, for this committee attending the meetings which must be four times a year subject to the call of either the committee or the State Tax Commissioner for additional meetings and then if competent counsel need to be engaged, there will be sufficient monies there, not immediately but somewhere in the ensuing years so I vote for the advancement of L.B. 132.

SPEAKER: Chair recognizes Senator Syas and Senator Cal Carsten.

SENATOR SYAS: Just one question of Senator Burbach. Since we're now on the financing of this commissioner districts or whatever you want to call them, I just, so I think a question further on districts is still germane. Is Lancaster, Douglas and Sarpy contiguous territories?

SENATOR BURBACH: I haven't got a map here, Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: They are not. Are you sure you can do something that's not contiguous, in other words, you skipped across a county to get to another county in the district.

SENATOR BURBACH: Senator Syas, I think you had better look, consult the Attorney General, myself.

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